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Boston July 10. 1838.



Dear Sir,

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You probably are somewhat surprised at not having Huldah returned to you before this. I had intended to see her returned at the time specified in my last, but after that letter was sent you, an acquaintance of ours, a Miss Parker, who keeps a small & very respectable boarding house, at 5 Hayward Place, in the city, said she would like to try Huldah at least, & if she answered her purpose, retain her. The Misses Parker (there are three of them) are very serious, good women. Their family differs little from a private family except that it is usually larger. Huldah, while there, will do only chamber work. She will go into the kitchen very little. Next to a private family, of the same general character, I know of no place that would be better for her. Should you object to her being there, you will of course write me, & I will act accordingly. Should you



assent to the arrangements, as I shall  
presume unless I hear from you to the  
contrary, I shall consider myself as quit  
of responsibility in regard to her. Miss Lucy  
Parker 5 Hayward Place, <sup>Boston</sup> is the address of  
Miss Parker. She will see Huldah returned  
to you if she does not answer her purpose.  
Meanwhile though quit of responsibility in  
regard to her, in the strict sense of the term,  
I shall feel an interest in her welfare, &  
shall inquire from time to time how she gets  
on. Miss Parker will not transfer <sup>her</sup> to other  
hands without consultation with you.

Yours with great respect

Thomas H. Phelps.